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- 1. APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S UPDATE ON POLITICAL ASYLUM CASES. GOP IS VERY SENSITIVE TO THIS ISSUE AND WE WOULD ACCORDINGLY HOPE DEPARTMENT CAN CONTINUE TO KEEP US ADVISED ON TIMELY BASIS OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS FIELD.
- 2. SOLICTOR GENERAL MENDOZA TOLD POL COUNSELOR SEVERAL DAYS AGO THAT IN RESPONSE TO PHILIPPINE MISSION INQUIRIES AT UNHCR GENEVA IT WAS TOLD UNHCR HAD NOT RPT NOT CERTIFIED ANY FILIPINO AS REFUGEE. MENDOZA GATHERED IMPRESSION THAT UNHCR HAD CENTRALIZED CONTROL OVER SUCH CERTCFICATION AND WOULD ACCORDINGLY KNOW OF REFUGEE CERTIFICATION WORLD WIDE. VIEW DEPARTMENT'S EARLIER INDICATIONS THAT ANUMBER OF FILIPINOS HAD OBTAINED UN REFUGEE STATUS, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ADVICE ON THE EXACT NATURE OF THE CERTIFICATION OBTAINED BY FILIPINO REFUGEES AND MEANS BY WHICH THEY OBTAINED SUCH CERTIFICATION.

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